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C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 12963

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGSC PEPR, IN, SU, CH
SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER'S TRAVELS

REF: MOSCOW 19313

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. STTE MINISTER KUNDU INFORMED
PARLIAMENTA AUGUST 24 THAT FOREIGN MINISTER VAJPAYEE
WOULD LEAVE SEPTEMBER 11 FOR A WEEK'S VISIT TO THE
USSR. KUNDU ALSO SAID THAT DATES HAVE NOT BEEN
SET YET FOR THE PKEING VISIT. SPECULATION CONTINUES
THAT THE PKEING VISIT WILL OCCUR IN OCTOBER
(POSSIBLY THE SECOND HALF SINCE VAJPAYEE IS SCHEDULED
TO ADDRESS THE UNGA OCTOBER 6). END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. A COMMON VIEW SINCE WORD
OF A MOSCOW TRIP FIRST LEAKED LAST MONTH IS THAT
IT IS INTENDED TO REASSURE THE SOVIETS THAT
NOTHING INIMICAL TO INDO-USSR RELATIONS WILL RESULT
FROM THE PEKING TRIP. IT MAY ALSO BE INTENDED TO
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UNDERCUT THE PERSISTENT CRITICISM BY OPPOSITION
MP'S OF THE DESAI ADMINISTRATION'S CHINA POLICY IN
GENERAL AND THE PEKING TRIP IN PARTICULAR. THE
CHINESE HERE HAVE MADE SLIGHTLY SARCATIC ALLUSIONS
TI HE ADDITION OF THE MOCOW TRIP TO
VAJPAYEE'S SCHEDULE, BUT THIS DOES NOT APPEAR TO
HAVE LESSENED THEIR BASIC SATISFACTION IN HAVING

VAJPAYEE VISIT THE PRC. THE PEKING TRIP IS THE ONE
THAT WILL DOMINATE THE HEADLINES HERE.
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